

IAC-M-222
13 December 1955

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 13 December 1955

Director of Central Intelligence
Allen W. Dulles
*Presiding

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell
*Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Special Assistant for Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General Ridgely Gaither, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2,
Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Carl F. Espe, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence,
Headquarters, United States Air Force
Rear Admiral Edwin T. Layton, Deputy Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative
to the IAC
Mr. Alan H. Belmont, Assistant Director, Federal Bureau of
Investigation

*Part of meeting

Lieutenant General Ralph Canine, Director, National Security
Agency, attended part of the meeting.

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1. Report of the IAC Ad Hoc
Guided Missile Intelligence
Survey Committee
(IAC-D-81/13, 25 November 1955)

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a. [] Chairman, Ad Hoc Guided Missile Intelligence Survey Committee led off the discussion by summarizing briefly the conclusions reached by the Committee.

b. Admiral Layton, supported by Admiral Espe and General Gaither, took the position that under existing NSC directives, guided missiles intelligence, being intelligence on weapons, fell clearly within the responsibility of the Department of Defense. In short, that guided missiles intelligence is departmental intelligence. He further expressed the view that the creation of an IAC subcommittee on guided missiles was not the answer to what is basically a collection problem.

c. General Samford stated that, based on the experience of the Air Force as the primary collector of guided missiles intelligence, he believed that there was merit in the idea of a coordinated community approach. This approach had demonstrated its value in the field of atomic energy intelligence.

d. Mr. Dulles expressed the view that guided missiles intelligence was national intelligence of the highest priority, probably of even greater ultimate importance to our national security than atomic energy intelligence. A concerted attack on the problem by the community, under the guidance of an IAC guided missiles committee, is therefore essential if he and the community are to discharge their responsibilities under existing NSC directives.

e. It was agreed that Mr. Dulles would draw up his views for presentation to the National Security Council under the procedure provided in NSCID No. 1, paragraph 3 a.

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2. Approval of Minutes
6 December Meeting
(IAC-M-221)

Approved as written.

3. Watch Committee Report
No. 278

Noted.

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6. European Trip Report

General Gaither briefed the Committee on his recent trip to Europe.

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2. No objection having been raised by a member, the Secretary has authorized release to USIA of [redacted] and NIE 11-13/1-55, "Review of Soviet Foreign Policy in the Light of the Geneva Foreign Ministers' Conference," both dated 6 December 1955 (IAC-M-221, Secretary's Notes, Item 1).

3. The Board of National Estimates and the IAC representatives have agreed that a post-mortem is not required on NIE 11-13/1-55, "Review of Soviet Foreign Policy in the Light of the Geneva Foreign Ministers' Conference," dated 6 December 1955. This estimate was based on broad general considerations, rather than on specific intelligence data. Unless objection is raised by a member at the next regular meeting of the IAC, therefore, no post-mortem will be undertaken on this NIE.

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ALSO PRESENT

Central Intelligence Agency

Mr. Robert Amory, Jr.
Mr. Sherman Kent
Mr. Otto E. Guthe
Mr. Herbert Scoville, Jr.

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Department of State

Mr. Howard E. Furnas
Mr. Richard Tims
Mr. Howard Wiedemann
Mr. Henry Brodie

Department of the Army

Lieutenant Colonel John E. Arthur
Lieutenant Colonel William R. Parr
Lieutenant Colonel Charles A. Reinhard
Lieutenant Colonel Robert J. Delaney

Department of the Navy

Captain B. E. Wiggin

Department of the Air Force

Colonel P. D. Wynne
Colonel C. J. Statler, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel J. C. Manett
Lieutenant Colonel James Harrold
Lieutenant Colonel George Wilson
Lieutenant Colonel R. D. Day
Lieutenant Colonel Van A. Woods, Jr.

The Joint Staff

Colonel Robert Totten, USAF
Colonel C. H. Dayhuff, Jr., USA
Colonel E. G. Van Orman, USMC
Colonel Orin C. Bjornsrud, USMC
Colonel D. S. Dillard, USA

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Mr. M. W. Kuhrtz